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Town of Mansfield – 4 Corners Water and Sewer Advisory Committee
Minutes of the Meeting – November 10, 2010

Present: Rawn, Spak, Ferrigno, Plante, Reich, Schaefer, Hart, Hultgren, Westa (UConn Planning Office).

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM by acting chair Rawn. The minutes of June 1, 2010 were reviewed and approved on a motion by Ferrigno/Hart.

The committee's previous discussion/recommendations for design guidelines in the 4 Corners area were discussed and the next steps in having the PZC discuss them were reviewed. Hultgren will check with the Director of Planning and try to target a PZC meeting in February to discuss them with the PZC.

Project funding was reviewed. Staff will contact the local USDA office to review eligibility for rural development grants for the 4 Corners area. WinCOG's executive director may be able to help with the initial USDA contact.

Hultgren introduced Mark West of the UConn Planning Office who presented UConn's current thinking about gateways to the campus. He said that he felt coordinated signage in (and beyond) the 4 Corners area would be more appropriate with actual gateway(s) placed closer to the edge of the campus. He said that he would be interested in coordinating their ideas for this signage with the committee, and the committee's January meeting was targeted for further dialogue. In the discussion that followed, the limits of "Husky Way" (Rte 195) were questioned and staff will inquire about this. The gateway areas proposed in the 4 Corners area itself may have to be targeted more to the 4 corners rather than the University i.e., "Welcome to 4 Corners, the gateway to UConn" ... rather than "welcome to UConn" if they are to exist at all. UConn will develop wayfinding signage concepts for the January meeting with the committee.

Hultgren handed out the scope of services for both the water supply and pump station consultants and said that the water supply consultant would be invited to the committee's December meeting for a progress update and discussion with the committee. Accordingly, December 7th was set for the next committee meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Lon Hultgren
Director of Public Works